

# SENATE BILL No. 195

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-22-1-1; IC 14-22-1-1.5.

**Synopsis:** Ownership of wild animals. Removes language that exempts wild animals that are being held in captivity under a license or permit from being the property of Indiana. Amends the department of natural resource's duties to provide for the protection and proper management of all legally and publicly owned wild animals in Indiana. Provides that the specified fish and wildlife laws do not apply to legally owned captive bred cervidae.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 6, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) All wild  
3 animals, except those that are:  
4 (1) legally owned ~~or being held in captivity~~ under a license or  
5 permit as required by this article; or  
6 (2) otherwise excepted in this article;  
7 are the property of the people of Indiana.  
8 (b) The department shall ~~protect~~ **provide for the protection and**  
9 **properly manage the fish and wildlife resources of proper**  
10 **management of all legally or publicly owned wild animals in**  
11 **Indiana.**  
12 SECTION 2. IC 14-22-1-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
13 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
14 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 1.5. This article does not apply to legally**  
15 **owned captive bred cervidae.**  
16 SECTION 3. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

